

EXCISE INVESTIGATION DRAWING NEAR AN END

A. Bruce Bielaski Virtually Has Completed Probe of Conditions.

Investigation of excise conditions in the District and of rumors that liquor dealers have been "shaken down" by whisky salesmen has been practically completed by A. Bruce Bielaski, chief of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, and important revelations are expected.

Among the rumors which have been current is that an applicant for a license was assured his petition would be acted upon favorably if he paid \$1,000 to an individual influential with the Excise Board. The applicant refused to pay and his application for a license was rejected. He claims that another applicant who was submitted the same proposition and accepted was subsequently granted a license.

A member of the Excise Board last night characterized the report as "non-sense," and denied that the related applicant was turned down on principle. The board does not make public its reasons for rejecting applications, but in this case there was good reason for negative action, he said.

A number of dealers have told the Department of Justice that they paid large sums of money to attorneys credited with influence with the Excise Board, and in some cases they have bought goods from salaried men in the department who would mean influence with the Excise Board.

Liquor dealers generally believe that the agitation has been started by disgruntled dealers whose applications for licenses have been rejected. "There is no truth in these rumors that are being so generally circulated," said one licensee last night. "They are being circulated maliciously by men who have been turned down by the board for good cause. They believe that by starting this agitation, they will help the Shepard bill, designed to make the District 'dry.' I am glad the investigation has been made, because it must show that the regulation of the liquor traffic in this city is cleaner than in any other city of its size in the entire country."

NEW HOME FOR POST.

Morning Paper Will Move to Vermont Avenue Site.

Announcement was made yesterday that the Washington Post will move uptown to Vermont avenue, between H and I streets northwest.

The Post will occupy the Gramercy Building, formerly used as an office building, and now to be remodeled at a cost of the Post and its new home. The Post has been on the Avenue for twenty-five years, occupying what has been known as the Post Building, facing E street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth.

The new building will be occupied entirely by the Post. The first floor will be taken up by the business offices, the circulation department, and Mr. McLean's private offices. Occupancy of the new building will begin about the first of April. Alteration will commence immediately.

Ragtime Knocked and Boosted in Same Day

(By International News Service.) Chicago, Jan. 25.—Ragtime got a kick and a boost in Chicago today.

The council committee on judiciary O. K'd an ordinance prohibiting ragtime bands from playing "The Star-Spangled Banner" as part of any medley.

Prof. Robert W. Stevens, of the University of Chicago, south of the "rag" artists with the discovery that Brahms and Wagner wrote classy ragtime in their days.

TO FLAUNT WILSON'S OWN WORDS AT HIM

Sentinels' Banners Will Bear Quotations from President's Book.

Two new suffragist battle flags bearing excerpts from President Wilson's book "The New Freedom," will be brought to the White House picket front at noon today by a small army of New York "suffs," who are expected to arrive in Washington this morning for sentinel duty.

The new banners will read, "Mr. President, you say: 'Liberty is the fundamental demand of the human spirit,'" and "Mr. President, you say: 'We are interested in the United States politically speaking, in nothing but human liberty.'"

Miss Alice Carpenter, chairman of the New York City branch of the Congressional Union, will lead the New York delegation to the picket line. Included in the New York delegation will be Mrs. John Winters Brannan, Miss Anna Constance, Mrs. William L. Colt, Mrs. George Elder Adams, Mrs. Philip Comstock, Mrs. L. L. Deane, Mrs. Edmond Kelly, Mrs. Walter B. Thompson, Mrs. John Rogers, Mrs. Calvin Tompkins, Miss Marion Burritt, Miss Minnie Friedman, Miss Wenona Marlin, Mrs. J. E. Lambie, and Mrs. Charles W. Farnham.

A new and prominent worker "for the cause" joined the ranks of silent sentinels yesterday afternoon in the person of Mrs. B. Boorman Wells, of London. She organized the picketing of Parliament for the non-militants in 1909.

WILL PREACH CHILD LABOR DAY SERMONS

Child Labor Day will be observed in Washington, and throughout the nation, January 28.

Rev. Alfred Harding, Bishop of Washington, has sent a letter to his clergy urging co-operation in celebrating the day, and special sermons will be preached by Rev. J. J. Dizon, of St. Andrew's Church; Rev. Everett M. Thompson, of the Nativity Chapel; and Rev. John R. Esalas, of the Methodist Church.

GOSPEL CINDER PATH READY FOR CONVERTS

Gypsy Smith, Jr., Hits Town Tomorrow Night for Bout with Devil.

Gypsy Smith, Jr., famous evangelist, will hit Washington tomorrow night with a figurative broom in one hand and the Gospel in the other, according to those who are promoting the great evangelistic revival to be commenced here in the tabernacle near Sixteenth and V streets northwest, on Sunday.

He is expected to launch a whirlwind campaign in the name of Christ that will sweep Washington morally clean.

The great demonstration that was planned for his arrival has been cancelled on account of the late hour that will bring him to the city. Members of the executive committee who have been in complete charge of the arrangements for the evangelistic service announced last night that every detail is complete.

The tabernacle is ready to accommodate 3,000 persons, and it is constantly believed by Dr. John Carpenter, chairman of the executive committee, that the edifice will be crowded to capacity at every service.

The Town Crier

"World Temperance" and "The Bible in the Trenches" will be Mrs. Wilbur F. Crafts' subjects this afternoon at 2 o'clock before the Interdenominational Mission-study Class in the Public Library. Mrs. Crafts is Sunday school superintendent of the World's Christian Temperance Union.

The Housekeepers' Alliance will be addressed by Robert E. Belt, chief accountant of the Federal Trade Commission, on "Cost Accounting in the Household," at the Theodor Bailey Myers Mason House, 1506 Twentieth street northwest, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Dr. John W. Boyce will speak to the National Society of Keep-Wells this evening in the parish hall of St. John's Church. "A Talk to Women" is his subject.

William B. Cushing Camp, No. 30, Sons of Veterans, will meet this evening at the Olympia, Fourteenth and Clifton streets, to arrange for its annual banquet.

Judson King will speak on "Some Ideals of Popular Government" Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock, in Perpetual Building Hall, Eleventh and E streets northwest.

A father and son social will be held at the Y. M. C. A. Boys' Department this evening at 7:30. The purpose of the social is to give fathers a chance to see the activities of the Y. M. C. A. for the welfare of the boys.

William Knowles (Copper, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A.) will deliver a lecture on "America a Christian Nation," at a meeting of the Knights of St. George, Sunday afternoon in the boys' department. The Hero Club will meet at the same time to hear Gen. W. E. Harvey talk on "Heroes of the Civil War."

The Kansas Day banquet of the Kansas State Society of Washington will be held January 29 at the New Ebbitt. The annual reunion of the Kansas State Agricultural College Society, which had been set for that date, has been postponed.

Topics concerning the mother, the home and the child will be discussed at a series of meetings in the public school buildings under the auspices of the Health and Mothers' Club of the District W. C. T. U., beginning next Tuesday.

The Washington College of Music will hold its seventh complimentary students' concert in Masonic Auditorium, Thirteenth street and New York avenue, on Saturday, February 3, at 8:30 o'clock.

"That the United States Own and Operate the Railroads of the Country" has been announced as the subject for debate by the students of the Georgetown University Law School Wednesday evening, February 7.

"A Woman in the Philippine Islands" is to be the subject of a lecture by Mrs. Agnes McKay Kelly before the National Geographic Society at the New Masonic Auditorium today.

Frank Alvah Parsons will talk in the auditorium of Woodward & Lothrop's this morning at 11 o'clock on the problem of furnishing a home on a limited income.

The Ashlar Club will hold its regular meeting in the clubrooms in the Masonic Temple, Ninth and E streets northwest, tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. An elaborate musical program will be presented and refreshments served.

The Senators and Representatives from North Dakota will join with the National American Woman Suffrage Association on February 4 in celebrating the recent passage of a Presidential suffrage bill in North Dakota. A reception will be held on that date at 1625 Rhode island avenue.

The Naval Gun Factory Band dance has been postponed from January 30 to Tuesday, February 20.

Mrs. Abby A. Peterson, chairman of the committee on Southern circuit work, will speak on "Educational and Religious Work in the South," at a meeting of the Women's Alliance of All Souls' Church, in the lecture room at Fourteenth and L streets, at 11 o'clock this morning.

The Biological Society of Washington will be addressed tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the new lecture hall of the Cosmos Club by H. M. Smith on "Exploitation of Neglected Aquatic Resources," and by W. L. Galtsope on "Showers of Organic Matter."

"Some Ideals of Popular Government" will be the subject of a lecture by Judson King, secretary, in Perpetual Building Hall, Eleventh and E streets northwest, Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

William H. Randall, of Boston, a member of the executive board of Bahai Temple Unity, will address the Bahai assembly of Washington upon the subject: "The Bahai Teaching as a Factor in World Peace," in Studio Hall, 1313 Connecticut avenue, Sunday evening at 8:15 o'clock. The public is welcomed.

A mass meeting to discuss the proposed increase in fares on the Kensington Railroad will be held in the town hall at Kensington on Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Louise Cuts Powell will lecture at 8 o'clock tonight at the Portland Hotel on "How to Select Children's Names."

The first of a series of lectures on "Men and Their Influence on Jewish History" will be given tonight at 8 o'clock in Adas Israel Synagogue, Sixth and I streets northwest, by Rabbi Benjamin L. Grossman.

GUYNEMER BAGS 27TH FLYER.

Paris, Jan. 25.—Lieut. Guynemer brought down his twenty-seventh German aeroplane today—his second in forty-eight hours—the war office announced. The official report also detailed an unsuccessful surprise attempt by the Germans south of Beryback, in which the enemy lost heavily.

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"COPPER KING" SUES IN DISTRICT COURTS

Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, known as the "Copper King," and one of the world's wealthiest men, is the plaintiff in an action in Equity Court No. 2 of the District Supreme Court, against the United States Realty Company, involving notes valued at approximately \$15,000.

Already two days of the multi-millionaire's time have been spent in trying to prove his case. Wednesday he was only a silent onlooker, but yesterday he took the stand in his own behalf and told how he entered into an agreement with Col. Arthur E. Randle, regarding certain property adjoining Randle Highlands.

Wilton J. Lambert represents the trust companies, and George Francis Williams and Daniel W. Baker appear for the United States Realty Company. Former Senator Clark is represented by Evans Browne and Charles C. Tucker.

PACIFISTS APPROVE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

That the "fighting pacifists" regard the President's speech before the Senate as destined to rank with the Gettysburg address, was made clear today in the congratulatory memorial presented to the President from the American Union Against Militarism.

The letter was delivered in person to the President by Miss Lillian D. Wald, of New York City. It read in part as follows:

"Ever since the beginning of this war, men and women have been hungering for a new kind of diplomacy which would brush aside chancelleries and all the forms of intercourse between nations which have so often misrepresented the views of the plain peoples and led them to disaster. You have answered this longing for direct action and you have not done it merely in the spirit of the American of Abraham Lincoln, you have done it in the spirit of the brotherhood of man."

The larger part of Mexico consists of an elevated plateau, with mountains on the east and west. This plateau is of volcanic origin.

HIGHER PRICES ON MEN'S HATS

Conditions in the manufacture of men's hats were never in such a critical state as they are today. Fur, skins, leather, sweats and trimmings have advanced tremendously in costs—anywhere from 25 per cent to 300 per cent—with prices still going up. If conditions are not relieved it is a certainty that \$2 will be the lowest possible price that can be quoted on men's headgear for next fall. Right now Frederick's Sample Hat Store, 513 Seventh street northwest, is holding a sacrifice sale of high-grade men's hats purchased from the Merleworth Company, of Allentown, Pa., one of the leading hat makers of the town. This lot includes John B. Petersons, Hawes Von Gais and other famous makes that sold as high as \$4. You will never get another chance to buy such fine quality hats in all the up-to-date shops and stores in the city. Take advantage now of the opportunity and buy two or three hats so you will not be compelled to pay the higher prices of next season. This is just one of those occasions which prove conclusively to the Washington public that Frederick saves his customers money. Get in early while the stock is complete.—Adv.

"The Morality Books" to Be Nightmare For Bad Little Boys; \$5,000 for Code

The bad little boys in the Washington schools are going to have dreadful surprises one of these fine days. "The Morality Books" just arrived today and I am so glad. It will be a fine opportunity for you to study what truthfulness means. Read every one of the seventy references on truthfulness. The other children may go home now. "If Johnny" is wise he will discover that there are also in the book exactly seventy references on about thirty other virtues which are excellent for the youth of our land to be familiar with.

It is a strange new idea—"The Morality Book." A mysterious donor in Washington has set a prize of \$5,000 for the best morality code that can be drawn for children, with descriptions of honor, courage, temperance, respect for parents, and several other excellent virtues. The codes are to be about 2,000 words in length.

The contest is now being held under the direction of the National Institution for Moral Instruction, the directors of whom are Milton Fairchild, Philander P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education; Willard S. Small, principal of the Eastern High School; William C. Ruediger, dean of the teachers college at George Washington University, and Margaret Bell Merrill, of the Western High School.

WHISKY AND CIGARETTE THRIVE DESPITE REFORM

Despite the onward march of prohibition, more whiskey and other intoxicating liquors were drunk during 1916 than in the previous year, according to the records of the Treasury Department and Internal Revenue receipts. Twenty-four million dollars worth of liquor, a sum big enough to build and equip a modern dreadnaught in the latest style, was the excess of last year's liquor bill.

Some say that this extra amount was consumed, and others attribute it to the unusual activity of the revenue agents. Cigarettes also ran way up the scale, the increase being 40 per cent.

MAY USE MEMORIAL TO HONOR HERO DEAD

The Arlington Memorial Amphitheater may be the final resting place of the body of Admiral George Dewey and other national figures who have distinguished themselves if the plans now being considered by members of the commission in charge of the construction of the amphitheater are carried out. Col. W. W. Harts, executive and disbursing officer in charge of the work, said last night that he could conceive of no higher honor to the memory of those who have served their country in a distinguished manner than to provide a last resting place for their bodies. It has also been suggested that tablets bearing tribute to national heroes be placed in the amphitheater.



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